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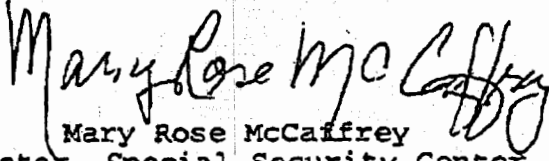
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## EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING OF ISSUE-FREE CASES

This SIP, which implements DCID 6/4 policy, establishes expeditious handling of issue-free cases as an objective of the Intelligence Community (IC).

1. As a matter of sound business practices, the IC routinely processes issue-free cases expeditiously. Doing this is in the Community's best interest by clearing more people quickly and thus getting them more rapidly to work. This cannot be an absolute requirement, however, because issue cases must still be adjudicated and persons whose background investigations are not issue-free may in some cases be the ones most urgently needed.

2. Agencies will establish internal procedures that, consistent with their operating environments and mission requirements, favor the adjudication of issue-free cases within ten days of receipt. Such procedures might include so-called "issue-free Fridays" when adjudicators process only routine cases, or a team of adjudicators dedicated to sorting cases and adjudicating those that are issue-free while giving the more complex cases to other adjudicators, or any other approach that the agency finds acceptable.

  
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